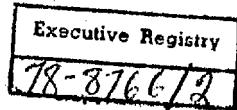


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary, NFIB

Frank C. Carlucci
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

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FROM:



Chairman, Intelligence Definitions Working Group

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SUBJECT: Intelligence Definitions

REFERENCE: NFIB 24.1/17, Same subject, dated 11 April 1978

1. Action Requested: Approve the final NFIB and Intelligence Definitions Working Group recommended definitions as shown at the attachment, and approve the glossary for publication.

2. Background:

a. The reference forwarded the draft glossary of intelligence terms and definitions to the NFIB for comment and approval. Although all NFIB members concurred, most did so subject to consideration of proposed changes which were forwarded through their respective representatives to the Working Group. All such proposed changes can be successfully resolved except the definitions of national intelligence and tactical intelligence. CIA, State, Treasury, and all DoD elements will "non-concur" with these definitions if allowed to stand. The Community views these terms as having legitimate and useful meaning in the context of users, purposes, and intelligence production, quite apart from the distinction which separates them in programmatic terms. The Community wishes, therefore, to instead make the programmatic distinction in the definitions of national intelligence asset and tactical intelligence asset--noting that this will be consistent with the position adopted in the National Tactical Interface Report--while allowing the original definitions of national intelligence and tactical intelligence to remain essentially unchanged.

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b. These fixes appear to be all that stand in the way of the first edition of an intelligence glossary, an effort that has been otherwise enthusiastically received throughout the Community. Even the House and Senate Select Committees anticipate its publication (S. Res. 400 and H. Res. 658 require each Committee to develop a uniform set of intelligence definitions), having noted the project in your 1978 Annual Report and recognizing its potential value to them.

3. Staff Position: CIA and the IC Staff agree with the NFIB and Working Group recommendation.

4. Recommendation: Approve the final NFIB and Working Group definitions as shown at the attachment, and approve the glossary for publication.



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Attachment:
Draft Definitions

cc: D/DCI/RM

APPROVED: *Turner* - as amended to be parallel in wording
Director of Central Intelligence

DISAPPROVED: _____
Director of Central Intelligence

DATE: 22 MAY 1978

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